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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- > Arbitration / Litigation
- > Investments & BITs
- > Shareholder Agreements
- > Joint Venture Agreements
- > Indian Litigation

INDUSTRY SECTORS

- > Construction and Engineering
- > Energy
- > Oil & Gas
- > Automobile
- > Packaging

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Sameer Thakur is a foreign attorney at Peter & Kim of Seoul office in the International Arbitration & Litigation Practice. Sameer's experience as Counsel and Tribunal Secretary includes participation in over 10 international arbitrations (both commercial and investor-state) conducted under the auspices of all major arbitral institutions (ICC, ICSID, PCA, HKIAC, SIAC, KCAB). He has acted as Counsel in 5 full hearings, participating in the development of oral openings, closings & cross-examination scripts.

Sameer publishes widely in leading publications on international commercial law and currently serves on the Editorial Board of the ICC Court of Arbitration's India Newsletter. Sameer is equally comfortable and familiar with common and civil law traditions having studied and practiced law in Korea, Germany, India, and Hong Kong.

When in law school, Sameer finished as Runners Up at the Vis (East) Moot in Hong Kong in 2017. He remains involved with the moot acting as coach and arbitrator.

CAREER

- > Peter & Kim (2021.1–present)
- > Foreign Attorney, Bae, Kim and Lee, International Arbitration Team (2020.9–2020.12)
- > Summer Intern, Skadden Arps, Hong Kong (Arbitration & Litigation Practice) (2019.6)
- > Winter Associate, Jones Day, Frankfurt (International Arbitration Practice) (2018.11)
- > Summer Associate, Bae Kim & Lee, Seoul (International Arbitration Practice) (2018.5–6)
- > Chambers of Darius Khambata, Senior Advocate (Member, SIAC Court) (2017.12)

EDUCATION

- > BA-LLB (Hons.) NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad, India
- > Senior Secondary Education: The Air Force School (2015)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- > Editor, India Newsletter, Court of Arbitration of the ICC

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

- > Acting as Counsel for a leading Korean manufacturer of plastic packaging goods in an ICC Arbitration against a British multinational corporation
- > Acting as Counsel for a leading retailer of low-cost goods in a JCAA Arbitration against a major Japanese conglomerate where the value in dispute is over 1 billion USD
- > Acting as Counsel for a Korean corporation in an investment treaty dispute against a North African state being administered by the PCA
- > Acting as Counsel for a Korean corporation in a SIAC Arbitration arising from the development of a thermal power plant in the Philippines
- > Acting as Counsel for a Chinese corporation in a KCAB Arbitration arising from a supply agreement for the supply of printed circuit boards to one of the largest electronics manufacturers in the world
- > Acting as Counsel for a major automotive company in two HKIAC arbitrations arising from the sale of a subsidiary to a Chinese company

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PUBLICATIONS

- > Buyer's Obligation to Comply with Payment Regulations under Article 54 of the CISG' Vindobona Journal for International Commercial Law and Arbitration (Edition 21, November 2017)
- > 'Commencement under the CAM-CCBC Rules: A case for clarity' (Young Arbitration Review (Edition 28, January, 2018)
- > 'Appointment, Independence and Impartiality and Removal of Arbitrators under the BCDR Rules', Volume 4, Issue 2. (BCDR Arbitration Review)
- > 'Nothing Changes if Nothing Changes: An Introduction to the 2021 ICC Rules of Arbitration' with Mr. Abhinav Bhushan, Kluwer Arbitration Blog (October 27, 2020)
- > Research assistant, 'Emergency Arbitration', a Chapter in 'The Arbitrator's Handbook'(scheduled)

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